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To: [Smith, Melissa](#); [Fagan, Nancy](#)
Cc: [Villarreal, Chris](#); [Tillman, Tressa](#); [Banipal, Ben](#); [Cook, Brenda](#); [Spalding, Susan](#)
Subject: RE: EJ Request: Crossett Tar Pit
Date: Wednesday, October 12, 2016 10:29:29 AM
Attachments: [Georgia-Pacific Corp Tar Pit 1982.pdf](#)

Hi Tressa,
 EPA investigated the tar pit and other GP sites in 1982, and decided not to take further action. This was to allow the state to take enforcement action. Attached are Superfund Documents on the site.
 Thanks
 Philip.

From: Smith, Melissa
Sent: Wednesday, October 12, 2016 9:56 AM
To: Fagan, Nancy
Cc: Villarreal, Chris ; Tillman, Tressa ; Banipal, Ben ; Cook, Brenda ; Ofosu, Philip ; Spalding, Susan
Subject: Re: EJ Request: Crossett Tar Pit
 I'm not aware of this either. I've added Susan in case she knows anything about it.

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 12, 2016, at 9:14 AM, Fagan, Nancy <Fagan.Nancy@epa.gov> wrote:

No, I have not seen this, and I am not aware of any work performed by GP.

From: Villarreal, Chris
Sent: Wednesday, October 12, 2016 9:07 AM
To: Smith, Melissa <Smith.Melissa@epa.gov>; Fagan, Nancy <Fagan.Nancy@epa.gov>
Cc: Tillman, Tressa <tillman.tressa@epa.gov>; Banipal, Ben <banipal.ben@epa.gov>;
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Subject: FW: EJ Request: Crossett Tar Pit

Hi Melissa and Nancy,
 Are either of you familiar with the "Crossett Tar Pit" and the work being done by Georgia Pacific to remove tar from local properties (see attachments)?
 Thanks

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From: Tillman, Tressa
Sent: Wednesday, October 12, 2016 8:08 AM
To: Villarreal, Chris <villarreal.chris@epa.gov>
Subject: EJ Request: Crossett Tar Pit

Hi, Chris – The following is submitted to you for response in accordance with the Region 6 Environmental Justice Request (EJR) Protocol: (b) (6)
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been working with Crossett Concerned Citizens for Environmental Justice in Crossett, AR. (b) (6) is concerned about a black tar-like substance in a local stream and a connection to Georgia-Pacific LLC's "Crossett Tar Pit." **Please see below and the attached for more details and forward to the appropriate member of your staff for response.** Thanks! -- Tressa

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Cc: Van Dalen, Corinne J <cvandale@tulane.edu>; (b) (6)
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Subject: Crossett tar

Tressa,

After a bit of searching and a few distractions I think I figured this out. Here are the flier and letter being distributed today in Crossett. Several years ago we found a black tar-like substance covering areas of the tributary to Coffee Creek that flows out of Lucas Pond in the City Park. There was also tar in one or more side channels (dry at the time) leading down from the north (right descending bank) to this trib. We have been trying to find the source of this substance for some time and now this looks like a connection. We asked the state ADEQ to Investigate this - and gave them a sample at a public meeting in Crossett - but it appears they never did anything.

Attached also is a lab report from some testing I had done, along with chain of custody, some photos of the area, and a map below showing location. We'd like to know where this "Crossett Tar Pit" is, that is mentioned in the G-P letter and see if it is the source of the waste material in the stream.

Please let me who will investigate this and what they find out.

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